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## APPENDIX C TO PART 718—BLOOD-GAS TABLES

The following tables set forth the values to be applied in determining whether total disability may be established in accordance with §§ 718.204(b)(2)(ii) and 718.305(a), (c). The values contained in the tables are indicative of impairment only. They do not establish a degree of disability except as provided in §§ 718.204(b)(2)(ii) and 718.305(a), (c) of this

subchapter, nor do they establish standards for determining normal alveolar gas exchange values for any particular individual. Tests shall not be performed during or soon after an acute respiratory or cardiac illness. A miner who meets the following medical specifications shall be found to be totally disabled, in the absence of rebutting evidence, if the values specified in one of the following tables are met:

(1) For arterial blood-gas studies performed at test sites up to 2,999 feet above sea level:

Arterial PCO2 (mm Hg)	Arterial PO2 equal to or less than (mm Hg)
25 or below	75
26	74
27	73
28	72
29	71
30	70
31	69
32	68
33	67
34	66
35	65
36	64
37	63
38	62
39	61
40–49	60
Above 50	(1)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Any value.

(2) For arterial blood-gas studies performed at test sites 3,000 to 5,999 feet above sea level:

Arterial PCO2 (mm Hg)	Arterial PO2 equal to or less than (mm Hg)
25 or below	70
26	69
27	68
28	67
29	66
30	65
31	64
32	63
33	62
34	61
35	60
36	59
37	58
38	57
39	56
40–49	55
Above 50	(2)
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Any value.

(3) For arterial blood-gas studies performed at test sites 6,000 feet or more above sea level:

Arterial PCO2 (mm Hg)	Arterial PO2 equal to or less than (mm Hg)
25 or below	65
26	64
27	63
28	62
29	61
30	60
31	59
32	58
33	57
34	56
35	55

Arterial PCO2 (mm Hg)	Arterial PO2 equal to or less than (mm Hg)
36	54
37	53
38	52
39	51
40–49	50
Above 50	(3)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Any value.

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PART 722—CRITERIA FOR DETER-MINING WHETHER STATE WORK-ERS' COMPENSATION LAWS PRO-VIDE ADEQUATE COVERAGE FOR PNEUMOCONIOSIS AND LISTING OF APPROVED STATE LAWS

Sec.

722.1 Purpose.

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722.4 The Secretary's list.

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## §722.1 Purpose.

Section 421 of the Black Lung Benefits Act provides that a claim for benefits based on the total disability or death of a coal miner due to pneumoconiosis must be filed under a State workers' compensation law where such law provides adequate coverage for pneumoconiosis. A State workers' compensation law may be deemed to provide adequate coverage only when it is included on a list of such laws maintained by the Secretary. The purpose of this part is to set forth the procedures and criteria for inclusion on that list, and to provide that list.

## § 722.2 Definitions.

- (a) The definitions and use of terms contained in subpart A of part 725 of this title shall be applicable to this part.
- (b) For purposes of this part, the following definitions apply: